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Irrigation

Investigation of the Tungabhadra project.

* 1043 Q.—Mr. P. SIVA RAO: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) in what stage the investigation of the Tungabhadra project now is ;
(b) whether the Government have received any preliminary report from the Special Officer in charge of the investigation ; and, if so, whether they will publish it ;

(c) whether the Nizam's Government have informed this Government that their Chief Engineer visited the proposed site for the work and reported to them that they are entitled to the equal distribution of the water of the Tungabhadra river at the spot and that they were prepared to negotiate with the Madras Government regarding the construction of the work in question ;

(d) whether the Government have received any other kind of communication from the Nizam's Government with reference to the project ; and

(e) whether the Government have consulted their legal advisers regarding the alleged rights of the Nizam's Government ; if not, whether they propose to do so ?

A.—(a) & (b) The Special Officer has submitted a further report to the Chief Engineer. The Government will consider the question of publishing this report when they receive it.

(c) to (e) No.

Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—“ May I know whether the Government have received any report from the Chief Engineer ; and, if so, whether the scheme is considered a practicable one by the Government ? ”

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL :—“ The report has not been received from the Chief Engineer.”

Diwan Bahadur R. N. AROGYASWAMI MUDALIYAR :—“ May I know, Sir, if in the investigation of the Tungabhadra project the Government accepts the view taken by the Ceded Districts Irrigation Committee that the Tungabhadra and Kistna projects should be dealt with as parts of one scheme ? ”

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL :—“ I must ask for notice of the question.”

Mr. P. SIVA RAO :—“ May I know, Sir, whether the Government expect any trouble from the Nizam's Government in carrying out the project, and whether the latter Government have any rights whatever at the site in question ? ”

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL :—“ We received no communication from the Nizam's Government, and we need not anticipate trouble.”

Mr. P. SIVA RAO :—“ May I know whether this Government have ascertained the possible rights of the Nizam's Government in regard to this important question ? I want to know whether the Nizam's Government have any right to oppose the construction of the dam on the site in question.”

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. CAMPBELL :—“ I must ask for notice of the question.”

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Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR :—“ May I know under whose management the forests till now under the control of the Military department are at present? ”

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—“ Notice, Sir.”

Cost of training in the Forest College at Coimbatore.

* 1038 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : With reference to my question No. 190 answered on 9th August 1929, will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) the net cost to the Government for each Madras student trained at the Forest College in Coimbatore ;

(b) whether the full cost of training is charged to the students of Indian States and other provincial administrations and if not, why not ; and

(c) whether there has ever been any proposal to transfer the Forest College to the charge of the Government of India ?

A.—(a) The net cost to Government for each Madras student trained at the Madras Forest College during the last five years was as follows :—

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| 1924-25 | 1,337 |
| 1925-26 | 1,310 |
| 1926-27 | 1,206 |
| 1927-28 | 1,278 |
| 1928-29 | 1,997 |

These figures do not include pay which would have to be met in any case nor travelling allowance and nothing is charged on account of the original cost and upkeep of the college estate and buildings.

(b) The estimated full cost of training is charged to the students of Indian States and other Provincial administrations.

(c) No.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—“ May I know why the cost of training a student has gone up from Rs. 1,278 in 1927-28 to Rs. 1,997 in 1928-29? ”

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—“ It depends on the cost of provisions and many other things.”

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—“ May I know whether the Government have considered the advisability of handing over the Forest College to the Government of India? ”

The hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—“ No, Sir.”

Jails

Supply of boots to the Police by jails.

* 1039 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) the proportion in which the requirements of the police and other consuming departments of the Government as regards boots are met by (1) the Jails department, (2) Pallavaram Criminal Settlement, and (3) other agencies, if any ;